

REMARKS

The last Office Action has been carefully considered.

It is noted that claims 9, 12, 14-18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) over the patent to Tsoi.

Claims 10-11 and 13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over the patent to Tsoi in view of the patent to Mills.

Claim 13 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over the patent to Tsoi in view of the patent to Bowen.

After carefully considering the Examiner's grounds for the rejection of the claims over the art, applicants have amended claim 9, the broadest claim on file, to more clearly distinguish the present invention from the prior art.

Claim 9 has been clarified on the basis of the description of Figures 5a and 5b of the application. The radio apparatus as defined now in claim 9 has at least one control element. In a local association to this

control element functions and information of the radio apparatus are displayed. According to the claimed invention, a function of the radio apparatus is displayed in a local association with the at least one control element. By pushing the control element the display function is activated. When the function is activated, the display is changed. Instead of the function, an information with regard to the activated function (e.g. duration, fees, etc.) is displayed in local association with the control element.

Turning now to the prior art applied by the Examiner, in particular to the patent to Tsoi, it can be seen that as shown in Figure 7 a control element 82 is in a local association with a displayed function (here "CALL"). Pushing the key 82 activates the function "CALL". In this case, as clearly shown in Figure 8 and Figure 9 the display is changed and another function ("HANG UP") is displayed in local association with the control element. Therefore Tsoi does not disclose to change the display from a function to be activated to an information about the function when the function is activated. The reference does not provide any hint or suggestion that such a feature can be utilized in the solution proposed in the patent to Tsoi. The main idea of the present invention that in association with the control element an information about the function (for example the duration

of the call, fees for the call) is displayed when the function is activated by pushing the control element, is not shown in the patent to Tsoi.

It is therefore believed that the Examiner's grounds for the rejection of the original claims over the patent to Tsoi taken singly should be considered as not tenable with respect to the amended claim 9 and should be withdrawn.


The other references applied by in combination with the patent to Tsoi has been considered as well. They also do not teach the new features of the present invention. Therefore, any combination of the references proposed by the Examiner would not lead to the applicant's invention as well. The rejection of the claims based on the combination of the references should be considered as no longer tenable with respect to amended claim 9 and should be withdrawn.

In view of the above presented remarks and amendments, claim 9, the broadest claim on file, should be considered as patentably distinguishing over the art and should be allowed.

Reconsideration and allowance of present application is most respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner require or consider it advisable that the specification, claims and/or drawings be further amended or corrected in formal respects in order to place this case in condition for final allowance, then it is respectfully requested that such amendments or corrections be carried out by Examiner's Amendment, and the case be passed to issue. Alternatively, should the Examiner feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to allowance, he is invited to telephone the undersigned (at 631-549-4700).

Respectfully submitted,



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